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## INTRODUCTION.

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The purpose of this List is to give biographical particulars of those officers of the Nizam of Hyderabad's Army, 1807—1853, who at the time they served in it did not hold commissions in the East India Company's Service. These officers are not shown in any official Army Lists. The remaining officers, namely those in H.E.I.C.S., have been fully dealt with by Major V.C.P. Hodson in his published and (as yet) unpublished lists.

The List requires to be read with Major (now Brigadier-General) R. G. Burton's *History of the Hyderabad Contingent* (Calcutta, 1905). The genesis of Local commissions is found in the dispatch, dated 10 Dec. 1806, of Capt. Thomas Sydenham, Resident at Hyderabad, quoted in *Burton* (p. 20): "I propose as a future general regulation, that such Europeans as are worthy of being retained in the service shall receive commissions from this [viz the Nizam's] Government countersigned by myself; that a list of them shall be kept at the Residency describing their rank, station and period of service; and that all Europeans and half-castes who cannot produce these commissions shall be seized and sent out of the country". These proposals were accepted by the Nizam and the Government of India (*Burton*, p. 23) but do not appear to have been implemented till July 1807; and little seems actually to have been done till Henry Russell became Resident in April 1811.

When these Local commissions were introduced, amongst the earliest recipients were several officers who had already been in H.H. the Nizam's service for some years. One or two of them had served in the corps of Boyd or Finglas before 1798 when



French influence was paramount at Hyderabad ; and thus we find that, for example, Major C. Freeman's Local commission dated from 5 June 1797, doubtless the date on which he had entered the Nizam's service as a "military adventurer".

In 1828 the grant of further Local commissions was discontinued on its being decided that all future entrants to the Nizam's Army should be regular officers of H.E.I.C.S., seconded from the Bengal, Madras and Bombay Armies. I have found four exceptions to this veto :

1829, 20 Apr.	T. Davies
1829, 5 Dec.	J. E. Macdonald
1833, 30 Apr.	J. Ralph
1834, 28 Jan.	H. Skinner

Why Macdonald was favoured does not appear\* ; but the reasons for admitting the others will be seen in their biographies, though it is to be noted that Skinner was not commissioned till the Governor-General and Council had strongly recommended him to, and received the sanction of, the Court of Directors of the East India Company in London.

This was very different to the commissioning of the earlier Local officers, which was vested solely in the pleasure of the Resident for the time being. Three men successively exercised this patronage :—

Henry Russell	Apr. 1811 to Nov. 1820
Charles Metcalfe	Dec. 1820 to Aug. 1825
William Byam Martin	Sept. 1825 to Aug. 1830

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\*He may actually have been admitted in 1826, not 1829.



and it is interesting to try to determine the grounds on which they based it. My analysis of the matter is too lengthy to set out here ; but I estimate that, out of the 101 officers in this List, 56 owed their appointment to Russell, 8 to Metcalfe, and 19 to Martin, whilst 18 are uncertain.

In Russell's favour it must be noted that his nominees include all the initial commissions which had to be given to make the Nizam's Army a "going concern"; but against this must be set the fact that he exercised his patronage collaterally with his interest in the firm of William Palmer and Company. The Palmer Bank and its transactions are still a matter of controversy ; but without entering into disputed matters we may remark that known Palmer relations and partners form no small part of this List, as do also Russell's own relatives. The Local officers with a Palmer connexion include W. Palmer himself, J. Palmer, H. Palmer, C. Arrow, G. Lamb and later, J.R. Paye and P.M. Taylor ; whilst amongst Russell's relatives were C. Holroyd, A. Mottet, E. Mottet and J. Doveton. I refrain from mentioning others regarding whom there is suspicion but no proof of a Palmer and/or Russell connexion. It is to be noted, also, in Russell's favour that his successor Metcalfe, though strongly "anti-Palmer", effected no reduction in the number of officers, whilst under Martin there was a trifling increase. Those who wish to go further into the matter may consult the recently published (1937) Life of Metcalfe by Mr. Edward Thompson.

From the above it will be seen that no Local commissions can have been granted before 1807, and few if any before 1811. It is thus very doubtful whether G. Draper (last heard of, 1806),



J. Gordon (died, 1808), and A. Huchinson (died, 1808) can ever have received such commissions, and their names are included with all reserve.

The first edition contained the names of 97 Local officers. There was one instance of duplication, giving a net total of 96. Of these, 4 (W.J. Arrow, Darby, Lee and Ward) since prove to have been Madras Army officers; one (G. Gordon) never existed; and another (J.H. Johnston) died in 1803 and so cannot have held a Local commission. Thus only 90 of the 97 figure in this second edition; but 11 new names have come to light (Cheyne, C.H. Freeman, L. Freeman, Hislop, Huchinson, J.W. Johnston, Lamb, H. Palmer, Ralph, Sir John Robison, and Wheeler), making a total of 101 officers.

Not only are there more names in this edition, but it is estimated that there is two to three times as much information regarding the officers named. Some of this information is of direct interest to genealogists only, though it might lead to the discovery of regimental relics in the possession of descendants of the Local officers. Other new facts are of wider appeal. Amongst the new additions is Sir John Robison, the brilliant Scottish scientist and inventor; and I have been able to collect full details of his brother, Hugh Robison, whose son-in-law, incidentally, commanded the Field Force of the Hyderabad Contingent during the suppression of the Mutiny. New details under the names of, for instance, C. Freeman, J.W. Boardman, W.P. Blake and O.W. Gray show that children of these officers married into well-known families; and, in a lighter vein, it will be seen that "Colonel" P. Meadows Taylor was not the only one to assume a higher self-



conferred "rank" after retirement from the Nizam's Army (cf. "Colonel" Henry Stoddard and "Major" William O'Brien). Two very curious careers which were unknown to me in 1933 were those of J.W. Boardman and James Ralph.

This short List is reflected in our "British Valhalla", the *Dictionary of National Biography*, since the names of Sir John Robison the scientist and P. Meadows Taylor the novelist appear in both; but if the *D.N.B.* is ever revised it can hardly fail to include also William Palmer (an inexplicable omission), and perhaps also Sir John Gordon, J.A. Moore and G.R. Fraser. The fathers of five Local officers are in the *D.N.B.*: W. Hislop, C. Holroyd, H. Skinner, and John and Hugh Robison.

Finally, I must express my indebtedness to the late Dr. J.M. Bulloch (who died whilst the MS. for these pages was being typed); Sir Evan Cotton, c.i.e., Major V.C.P. Hodson; and Mrs. Crofton, as well as to numerous kind correspondents whose help has been acknowledged in the text.



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NOTE: The abbreviation M.I. in the following pages=Monumental Inscription.



**Ager, William, Capt.**

Local commission as lieut., 1 Sept. 1820. With 2nd Infy. in 1824; transferred to 5th Infy., 19 Apr. 1827. Adjutant in 1830. ? Promoted captain, 1 Sept. 1832. In 1837 a captain with the Invalids at Aurangabad. In 1839 with Garrison Bn. at Aurangabad, but on furlough. Married (1) Elizabeth....., who died at Hingoli 10 January 1830; (2) before 1833,....., by whom he had a son, Horatio Nelson, born at Bolarum 22 Feb. 1833, died 20 Sept. 1833. Note: the *East India Register*, May 1832, gives the date of his first wife's death as 10 Feb. 1830.

**Arrow, C——, Lieut.**

Date of Local commission not known. An officer of mixed blood, owing his appointment to his connexion with the Palmer family. Son of Capt. James Arrow, Bengal Army, by his wife (whom he married 25 Jan. 1806) Mary, daughter of Maj.-Gen. William Palmer, Bengal Army, and his consort Bibi Faiz Baksh. Adjutant 1st Infy., 1824; transferred to 2nd Infy. of which he was adjutant in 1826. Appointed Bde. Major, Ellichpur, 1 Nov. 1827. Brother of Lieut. William James Arrow, Madras Army, who served with the Nizam's Army c. 1828-9. Related to John Palmer, *q.v.*; William Palmer, *q.v.*; Hastings Palmer, *q.v.*; J. R. Paye, *q.v.*; P. M. Taylor, *q.v.*; and probably others in this List (see the Introduction).

**Beckett, John, Capt.**

Entered the Nizam's service in 1812 as commandant of a Regt. of Infy. newly raised by Chandu Lal, and became the first commandant of the Russell Bde. Superseded in April 1814



(*Burton*, pp. 22, 28, 29). Possibly identical with (1) John Beckett, shown in the Army List of 1803 as ensign of Invalids on full pay, 24 June 1795, of "Companies late at Guernsey" and (2) John Beckett, an English officer of Dupon's Bde. in Scindia's service, who in 1803 was A.D.C. and private secretary to Gen. Perron, and acted as intermediary in the negotiations with Gen. Lake at Aligarh. The last-mentioned had almost certainly previously held a commission in H. M. service. Perron's "confidential agent in his intrigues was an Englishman named Beckett. The British Govt. in India knew about it and had seen with pleasure the man who, alone in these countries, was able to check their progress, put himself in a position of dependence on them, by remitting his fortune to British territory and taking an Englishman as his confidential agent and witness of his most secret transactions" (Bourquien's memoirs, in *Journal of the Panjab Historical Society*, vol. IX, pp. 58, 61). Accompanied Perron to Calcutta, and was at Chinsura in March 1804. Received Rs. 16,000 as a reward from Perron and planned to purchase a commission in a regt. of H. M. Light Dragoons therewith, but the transaction does not seem to have been completed (*Le Général Perron*, par A. Martineau, Paris, 1931, p. 219). At Monghyr in 1807-8 (*East India Register*, 1808). Shown in Gardener's *Original Calcutta Annual Directory*, 1816, as a capt. late of Ambaji Ingolia's service, who was receiving a British pension. Living at Pir Pahar, near Monghyr, in 1832 ( ? and had a Kashmiri wife and a daughter Mary Anne, who died in 1832 and is buried there) (*Bengal Past and Present*, vol. VI, pp. 47, 372). Living at Monghyr in 1841 and receiving a British pension of Rs. 400 monthly (*Bengal and Agra Annual Guide and Gazetteer*, 1841). Possibly identical with the John Beckett who died at



Portoferraio, Elba, in April 1841 (*Indian News*, Vol. I, No. 15, p. 350). See also Compton, *European Military Adventurers in Hindustan*, p. 327; and Wellington's *Supplementary Dispatches*, Vol. IV, pp. 189, 190.

**Bell, W——H——, Lieut.**

Lieut. H. M. 47th Foot. Ranked in Nizam's Army as lieut. from 9 Dec. 1813. Serving with 2nd Infy. in Dec. 1817. Acting A.D.C. to Brig.-Gen. Sir John Malcolm at Mahidpur: mentioned in dispatches. Died at Mhow, 5 May 1819, being then postmaster to Mhow Division.

**Blake, William Power, Capt.**

Date of Local commission not known; but he was one of the "military adventurer" class, and of mixed blood. A subaltern in the Nizam's service about 1800: served with the 4th Berar Bn. in Poona Subsidiary Force, 1818 (*Burton*, pp. 21, 63). Died before 1831. Executor of Capt. James Lloyd, *q.v.* Either Blake married a sister of Capt. James Johnston, *q.v.*, or (less probably) Johnston married Blake's sister. He had three daughters:—

1. Charlotte, married at Secunderabad, 18 March 1833, James Western, Vety. Surgeon, 5th Madras Light Cavy. (*Madras Almanac*, 1834).
2. Anna Love, married at Secunderabad, 15 June 1831, Byng Thomas Giraud, ensign 22nd Madras N. I. They had issue Helena Elizabeth (died Kamptee, 28 Oct. 1833) and Byng James (died Kamptee, 28 Sept 1834) (*C.P.M.I.*) Lt. B. T. Giraud died 1836: his widow remarried, at Chertsey on 24 May 1838, David Brakenridge, M. D., of Perth.



3. Prudence Clarissa, died Aurangabad 30 July 1870 (M. I. in Cantonment Cemetery describing her as niece of "Major" (James) Johnston).

### **Boardman, John Walker, Capt.**

Date of Local commission not known. A capt. in 1838 : out of the service before 1840. Natural son of Maj.-Gen. Edward Boardman, Madras Army. Married, at Secunderabad, 2 May 1838, Miss Caroline O'Leary (*Asiatic Journal*, new series, XXVII. 209) who was probably daughter of Daniel O'Leary, senior (died 1862, aged 63). Capt. J. W. Boardman died 14 March 1864, aged 61 ; buried St. George's cemetery, Chadarghat, Hyderabad (M. I.) and his widow died 5 March 1872, aged 52 (M. I. in same cemetery). They had issue :—

1. Capt. Walter D. Boardman, Asst. Commissioner of Police, Nizam's service, died 21 March 1904 : married twice and had issue.
2. Capt. Osmond Boardman, died 19 June 1923, aged 67.
3. Adeline, who died 22 Sept. 1904, aged 64 (buried R. C. Cemetery, Narayanguda, Hyderabad). She married William Ralph Round, eldest son of Rev. J. G. Round, M.A., rector of Woodham Mortimer ; born Colchester, 27 Aug. 1826 ; Madras cadet, 1849 ; ensign, 10 Jan. 1849 ; 10th Madras N. I. ; Lieut., 20 Nov. 1853 ; adjt., 2 Jan. 1855 ; dismissed the service, 1859 (?27 June) ; engaged by Salar Jang at Rs. 250 monthly at end of 1859 ; became capt. in 1st Infy Nizam's Regular Troops ; died at Chadarghat, 17 May 1867 and buried there (Burke's



*Landed Gentry*, 1906, *s.n.* Round of Birch Hall, where only W. R. Round's name and date of death are recorded).

**Brown, W——, Lieut.**

Date of Local commission not known. Died at Bolarum, 27 Sept. 1831. (*Madras Almanac*, 1832).

**Bullock, Thomas Henry, Capt.**

Local commission as lieut., 17 Aug. 1825. 11th child of Stanley Bullock of London (later of Isle of Man and of Devon), 1767-1841, by his wife (married 1790) Hannah Ann, daughter of Henry Brooks of Kensington. Born in the Isle of Man, 29 Sept. 1807. With 2nd Infy., 1825-43. Adjutant, 1 Nov. 1827; resigned the adjutantcy, 1 July 1835. Capt., 17 Aug. 1837. Went on furlough to Europe, 1837. Transferred to 1st Infy. 25 Sept. 1843. Appointed Commandant of the Hill Rangers, 5 Dec. 1843. Captain-Commandant 1st Infy. 1 Sept. 1849. Pensioned and transferred to civil employment, 1853; afterwards Deputy Commissioner in Berar. Married at Heavitree Church, Exeter, 18 June 1840, Juliana Susannah, eldest daughter of Rev. Jonas Dennis of Polsloe Park, Exeter, Prebendary of Exeter, and grand-daughter of Rev. Thomas William Shore, only brother of John Shore, 1st Baron Teignmouth and Governor-General of India. By her he had issue:—

1. Col. Robert Bullock, Madras Staff Corps (1842-1923), sometime Deputy Commissioner in Hyderabad. Married 1870, Matilda Flora Fraser, and died without issue.



2. Frederick Shore Bullock, C.I.E., I.C.S. (1847-1914), sometime Commissioner of Berar and Assistant Commissioner of Metropolitan Police. Married 1870, Alexandra Margaret, daughter of Brevet-Col. (Brigr.) Frederick Brind, C.B., Bengal Artillery, by whom he had issue.
3. Lieut.-Gen. Sir George Mackworth Bullock, K.C.B. (1851-1925), Col. Devonshire Regt, Married, 1884, Amy Isabel, O.B.E., daughter of Col. James Thomson, Tower Hamlets Volunteers, by whom he had a daughter, Evelyn, born 1886.

4.-7. Four other children who died in infancy.

Captain T. H. Bullock died at 1 Fauconberg Villas, Cheltenham, 31 Aug. 1866. He is often mentioned in the autobiography of his friend Capt. P. M. Taylor, *q.v.*

### **Burns, Samuel Stalker, Capt.**

Capt. H. M. 30th Foot. Lieut. 2nd Infy. 1826-7. Transferred to 3rd Infy., 1 Jan. 1829. Sometime Superintendent of Police in the Nizam's Dominions. Died at Hingoli, 21 June 1830, aged 41.

### **Burr, Frederick William, Capt.**

Date of Local commission not known. Natural son of Lieut.-Col. Charles Burton Burr, C.B., 1/7th Bombay N.I. Of mixed blood. Served with 1st Infy. in 1817. Present at Mahidpur, 21 Dec. 1817. Wounded at Nowah, Jan. 1819, when serving with 2nd Infy. (not with Reformed Horse as stated in *Burton*). Adjutant



( ? of 1st Infy.) 1820; adjutant of 2nd Infy. 1826. Died 19 April 1833. According to *Madras Almanac*, 1834, he died in camp near Mahwarum, a village on the road from Hyderabad to Masulipatam; according to another version he died at Khamamet post while commanding there.

**Bushby,——,Lieut.**

Date of Local commission not known. With 2nd Infy. in Aug. 1824. There were two officers named Bushby in the Nizam's Army at this time: the other was Lieut. John Stewart Bushby of the Madras Army, who died at Mominabad on 4 April 1827 (*Madras M. I.*, no. 1118).

**Cheyne, Charles, Asst. Surgeon.**

Date of Local commission not known. Not in H.M.S. or H.E.I.C.S. Died at Aurangabad, 6 July 1826, aged 24 (M.I. in cantonment cemetery: *East India Register*, 1827). Doubtless of the celebrated medical family of Cheyne.

**Clark, ( ? J——), Capt.**

In the Nizam's service as an officer about 1800. In 1812 was commanding a battalion at Indur, 80 miles North of Hyderabad, which mutinied. *Burton*, pp. 22, 28). Note: one Agnes Mary, widow of Capt. J. Clerk (*sic*) died 20 Jan. 1878 and was buried in the R.C. cemetery at Narayanguda, Hyderabad.

**Clifton, John, Capt.**

Local commission as Lieut., 1 Jan. 1825. With 1st Infy. in 1828. Adjutant 1st Infy., 1 July 1831. Captain, 1 Jan. 1837. Officiating commandant, 8th Infy., 1841. Transferred to 2nd Infy.,



25 Sept. 1843, and to 7th Infy., 26 Dec. 1843 as Captain-Commandant. Held last post till he was pensioned in 1853 with all the remaining Local officers.

**Currie, James, Capt.**

Ensign, H.M. 89th Foot. *Probably* son of William Currie (*Roll of the Indian Medical Service*, no. M. 466), Residency Surgeon at Hyderabad from 1808 till 1818; and brother of Henry Currie, *q.v.* Captain-Lieutenant and adjutant 1st Infy. in 1817. Captain-Commandant 2nd Infy. 1 Sept. 1817. Commanded 2nd Infy. (not Berar Bde. as stated in *Burton*) at Mahidpur and Nowah (wounded). Served in the First Burma War, for which campaign he was apparently recalled to duty in H.M. Service. Died 31 May 1834, killed by a fall from his buggy (*Asiatic Journal*, new series, xvi, 72).

**Currie, Henry, Lieut.**

Date of Local commission not known. Served in 2nd Infy. Died 14 July 1818. Probably brother of Capt. J. Currie, *q.v.*

**Davies, Thomas, Capt.**

Local commission as ensign, 20 Apr. 1829. One of the four Local officers admitted specially after 1828. Natural son of Lieut.-Col. Evan Davies (1782-1827), 14th Bombay N.I. and Nizam's Army. Of mixed blood. Left £1,000 in his reputed father's will. Lieut., 1 July 1830. Served with 2nd Infy. till 1 Dec. 1831 when transferred to 4th Infy. In 1837-40 was Lieut. and adjutant, 4th Infy. In 1841-3 was capt. 4th Infy., in charge of Pioneers. In 1846-53 was interpreter, 4th Infy. Pensioned 1853. Married Eliza.....(she died at Mominabad 22 Jan. 1868,



aged 50). They had issue: (1) Evan Arthur Davies, died at Hingoli, 26 Feb. 1837, aged 4 days; (2) a son, born at Bolarum 12 June 1838 (*East India Register*, 1839). Capt. T. Davis died at Mominabad 22 Jan. 1870, aged 57. Note: one Emmeline, wife of Lieut. T. Davis (*sic*) died 26 May 1881, aged 50: buried in R.C. cemetery, Narayanguda, Hyderabad.

### **Doveton, John, Capt.**

Local commission as lieut., 26 Jan. 1817. Of mixed blood. *Perhaps* natural son of Maj.-Gen. Gabriel Doveton, Madras Army, who died in London 9 Apr. 1824. Adjutant 7th Infy. 1819 (? till 1827). ( ? Promoted captain, 1827). Transferred from 7th to 2nd Infy., 17 Feb. 1834; but probably did not join the 2nd as he was re-transferred back to 7th on 1 Apr. 1834. Captain-Commandant 7th Infy., 31 May 1836. Captain-Commandant 2nd Infy., 23 July 1836. In 1837 was still holding the latter post but on furlough in Europe. Resigned the service, 6 July 1843, on being left a large fortune by an uncle, and went to England. Succeeded as Captain-Commandant 7th Infy. by P.M. Taylor, *q.v.* Died at his residence, 4 Bloomfield Road, Paddington, 15 Oct. 1853, aged about 53. Bequeathed nearly £ 50,000 for the education of the Eurasian community, which sum was equally divided between the Parental Academy at Calcutta (the name of which was changed to Doveton College) and a college founded at Madras and named the Doveton Protestant College. To his executors, Peter Carstairs of Madras and Wale Byrne (a well-known Eurasian leader) of Calcutta, he left Rs. 5,000 each. The residue of his estate was left to Major Henry Doveton. His portrait in oils, in uniform, is in the committee-room of the Uncovenanted Service Family Pension Fund, 63 Park St., Calcutta.



**Draper, G —, Capt.**

Date of Local commission not known : possibly never received one. A Captain in the Nizam's service, 1806. Note : a Capt. G. Draper, late of Holkar's service, was receiving a British pension in 1816. (*Burton*, p. 20. ? India Office, Home Misc. Series, 613/1).

**Drew, Thomas, Major.**

Date of Local commission not known : possibly never received one. In the Nizam's service about 1800. Killed in action at Murmura, 1815. M. I. on marble slab outside N. wall of Ellichpur city to his memory, "who for many years commanded a bde. in the service of Salabut Khan Bahadur, Nuwab of Ellichpur". (*Amraoti District Gazetteer*, Vol. A, 1911 ; *Burton*, pp. 21, 26, 35 etc.; Briggs, *The Nizam*, Vol. II, *passim*).

**Dyson, George, Capt.**

When commanding the Artillery in Berar, died at Aurangabad, 28 June 1815, aged 33 (M. I. in cemetery opposite Bibi Maqbara, Aurangabad). Intestate : administration granted, Bombay, 11 Jan. 1816.

**Elliot, Charles Hay, Major.**

Date of Local commission not known : possibly never received one. Of mixed blood, and of the "military adventurer" class. Entered the Nizam's service in 1797/8. Served in the Seringapatam campaign in 1799. In Jan. 1805 was commanding a bde. in Berar. Severely wounded at Nagpur in Dec. 1817. Died 27 May 1819. Described in his Will (dated 27 Dec. 1815 ; codicil dated 9 Jan 1817 ; proved at Bombay 7 Feb. 1820) as "Major



Commanding 1st Bde.". Father by Tarrah Begum of Elizabeth Louisa, to whom he left Rs. 30,000; also father (? not by Tarrah Begum) of Miss Anne Elliot and Josephine. Executor of Capt. J. Lloyd, *q.v.*

**Fair, John, Capt.**

Local commission as lieut., 25 Feb 1818. Possibly son of Maj.-Gen. Alexander Fair, Madras Army, or of his brother Capt. Thomas Fair, 5th Madras N. I. (died at Goa, 24 Dec. 1822). Capt., 25 Feb. 1830. With 4th Infy.: transferred to 2nd Infy., 1 Dec. 1834. Bde.-Major, Aurangabad, 20 June 1835. Pensioned (while Bde.-Major) 10 June 1840. Note: one James Fair "gentleman," who was a son of Maj.-Gen. Alexander Fair aforesaid, and who may be identical with Capt. John Fair, was buried at Madras, 3 Sept. 1863, aged 58.

**Fenwick, Robert Henry, Capt.**

Local commission as lieut., 11 July 1821. In 1837 was a capt. commanding the Garrison Bn. at Aurangabad.

**Flower, George Frederick, Capt.**

Local commission as lieut., 2 Feb. 1828. Posted to 2nd Infy. Transferred to 4th Infy., 1 Apr. 1835. In 1837 with 7th Infy. Adjutant 7th Infy. 1839-44. Promoted capt. 1844. In 1849 with 5th Infy. ? Pensioned in 1853. Married Mrs Catherine Theresa Kynaston at Aurangabad, 24 Feb. 1831: she died at Bolarum, 20 Dec. 1855, and is buried in the R.C. cemetery at Mataguda, Secunderabad. (*East India Register*, May 1832: *Burton*, pp. 123, 125).



### Fraser, George Robert, Major.

Date of Local commission not known. Nizam's service, 1809-17: Nagpur service, 1817-31. Born 11 Nov. 1777 at Portarlinton, Queen's Co., Ireland; eldest son of David Fraser (c. 1753-1784) of Finglass, barrister-at-law, by his wife (married 23 Sept. 1775) Mary, daughter of Arthur Mosse. As heir to the estates of his grandfather Col. George Fraser, he became a ward of Chancery on the latter's death, 11 Jan. 1797. Entered the Royal Marines as second lieut., 1 May 1796. Served in H.M.S. *Regulus*, 20 Oct. 1796 to 8 Apr. 1798. Probably present at the capture by the *Regulus* on 2 Nov. 1796 of the Spanish ship *San Pio*. Engaged in a cutting-out expedition against French privateers at Cape Roxo, S. Domingo, 1797. Left *Regulus* and returned to Headquarters, till he left the Royal Marines on 30 Nov. 1798. On his 21st birthday married, as his first wife, Elizabeth, daughter of Rev. Thomas Gamble, D.D. (According to tradition the ceremony took place in prison where he had been placed in order to prevent his marriage whilst a ward in Chancery). Said to have served in a cavalry regiment in Ireland shortly after quitting the Marines. Engaged in litigation regarding his estates for several years; about the beginning of 1805 the suits were concluded and he was left with a considerable fortune. On 1 May 1805 he became ensign in the 4th West India Regiment; but never joined that corps, having purchased on 1 Aug. 1805 a lieutenancy in H.M. 47th Foot. On 23 Jan. 1806 transferred to H.M. 77th Foot, then in India where he joined it. On 19 Dec. 1807 the 77th were ordered from India and shortly before their departure he transferred to H.M. 65th Foot, also in India.



Sold out 1 Nov. 1809, on being offered command of one of the two bdes. of regular infy. in the service of the Nizam at Aurangabad. Entered the Nizam's service in 1809 and by Jan. 1810 was in communication and co-operation with the Resident at Nagpur. In 1812 was commanding a newly-raised regiment of of infy. which had been formed by Raja Govind Buksh, Governor of Berar, for employment against the banditti infesting the country. In 1813 the troops in Berar were reorganised, the regular infy. consisting of two bdes. each of two bns. Fraser commanded the second of these bdes. The 1st Bn. of his bde. was inspected in Feb. 1814 by Maj.-Gen. Rumby and reported to be in a very high state of efficiency. On 24 Oct. 1815 a party of 300 Berar infy. and 100 cavalry under his command surprised a body of two or three thousand Pindaris in their camp at Nimbola, west of Aurangabad. The Pindaris mounted and galloped off, and would have suffered considerable loss had the cavalry followed them up; but this the latter refused to do, and "no amount of persuasion on the part of Major Fraser could induce them to attack the enemy". In recognition of his services on this occasion the Guild of Merchants at Dublin sent him an address and an inscribed gold snuff-box. The action is described in *Confessions of a Thug*, by P.M. Taylor, *q.v.*

On 27 April 1817 he left Aurangabad with a force consisting of 6 companies of regular infy., 2 guns and 800 reformed horse, for operations against Trimbakji who had seized the fort of Sendiya. The fort was captured and the enemy routed on 3 May. In the Maratha and Pindari War, 1817-8, his bde. served with Major Robert Pitman's bde. in the various operations. His corps was afterwards reported to be one of the two Berar units which were



fit to take their place in brigade with regular troops. On 11 April Pitman, who was a Bengal Army officer, was appointed to take command of all the regular infy. in Berar, and apparently did so in Sept. 1817. Fraser much resented his supersession and had a stormy scene with Pitman. He then entered the service of the Raja of Nagpur and held a command in the Nagpur territory, in 1826 being stationed at Chhindwara where he lived in much state. Owing to the failure of his health he resigned on 2 Oct. 1831, receiving a small pension; and embarked at Pondicherry. He settled at Harfleur, near Havre de Grace; and died at Granville, being buried at Havre on 17 Nov. 1835. "He had a hot temper but a strong and resolute character".

By his first wife he had three sons and a daughter;—

1. David Winter Fraser, *q.v.* (in Appendix I).
2. George Robbins Fraser (1805-1885), barrister-at-law.
3. Lieut.-Col. Thomas Gamble Fraser (1807-1878), Bombay Army.
4. Mary Louisa, married (1) at Nagpur, 8 Sept. 1819, Surgeon James Gordon, Madras Establishment, who died at Tokah, near Bombay, 9 Nov. 1824: (2) Maj.-Gen. Sir Ephraim Gerrish Stannus, Kt., C.B., sometime Lieut.-Governor of the East India Company's Military Seminary at Addiscombe (see *Dictionary of National Biography*, and *Dictionary of Indian Biography*).



Major Fraser married as his second wife, in India, on 12 May 1826, Miss Mary Brietzcke, by whom he had issue :—

1. Ensign Charles Stannus Fraser, (1832-1853), Bengal Army.
2. Ellen, married Edward Thornhill, barrister-at-law, of Woodless, Woodstock, Oxon.; and died without issue in 1907.

Amongst his relatives in the Nagpur service (see Appendix I) were (1) his son D.W. Fraser, (2) F.B. Norris, who married his son's sister-in-law, (3) P.T. Mosse, probably related to his mother, and (4) William Gordon, brother of his daughter's husband.

References: *Recollections with Reflections*, by Maj.-Gen. Sir Thos. Gamble Fraser (son of George Robbins Fraser, mentioned above), Blackwood, 1914, pp. 2, 28-40, 439, 443; *Burton*, pp. 28, 30-32, 45, 69; *Confessions of a Thug*, by P.M. Taylor, *q.v.*, World's Classics edition, pp. 345-5; information from the late Dr. J.M. Bulloch, Major V.C.P. Hodson, and Col. Stannus G.G. Fraser, M.C., I.A.

### **Freeman, Charles Hay, Capt.**

Date of Local commission not known. Died at Aurangabad, 21 Nov. 1832, aged 30 years 11 months. Son of Maj. C. Freeman, *q.v.* Possibly named after Charles Hay Elliot, *q.v.*

### **Freeman, Charles, Major.**

Local commission with effect from 5 June 1797. Son of Lieut. Charles Freeman, Madras Army (Madras cadet, 1778 ;



ensign 18 Aug. 1778; lieut. 5 Apr. 1783; pensioned 1787; died at Masulipatam, 1 Dec. 1804) and of Margaret.....(died at Aurangabad, 24 Aug. 1822, aged about 75 years). Of mixed blood, and of the "military adventurer" class. In 1800 held the rank of captain. In 1819 commanding the two Irregular Bns. In 1837 commanding the Invalids at Aurangabad. Married Ursula..... (she died 14 Oct. 1824, aged 24: M.I. St. Francis's R.C. Church, Aurangabad). They had issue :—

1. Capt. C.H. Freeman, *q.v.*
2. ? Surgeon L. Freeman, *q.v.*,
3. Charlotte, married at Aurangabad, 28 Sept. 1840, "Mr. Thomas Lynn of H.H. Nizam's Army" (*East India Register*, May 1841) who appears to have been a Deputy Assistant Commissary General.
4. Margaret, married at Aurangabad, 31 Oct. 1840, Lieut. John Wilson Auld, 26th Bombay N.I., then adjutant of the Khandesh Bhil Corps and later lieut -col. and honorary colonel; died 18 Oct. 1872.

References; *Burton*, p. 21; *Story of my Life*, by P.M. Taylor, 1878 edition, pp. 25-6.

### **Freeman, Leonard, Surgeon.**

Local commission ( ? as surgeon) 25 Dec. 1827. In 1839 with Garrison Bn., Aurangabad, but on furlough. Doubtless a son of Maj. C. Freeman, *q.v.*; and brother of Capt. C.H. Freeman, *q.v.*



**Glas, J——, Capt.**

Date of Local commission not known. An officer in H.M.'s Service. Joined 2nd Infy. before 1818. Capt. in 2nd Berar Regular Infy.; and Bde.-Major Berar Regular Bde., 16 Sept. 1824. Temporary Capt.-Commandant of the 2nd Infy., 8 Oct. 1824, during the absence of Capt. J. Currie (*q.v.*) in Burma. Remained in command of the 2nd Infy. till Feb. 1825, when he seems to have gone to Madras. Took up command again in June 1825. In 1826 was commandant of the 1st Infy. In 1830 was commanding the 1st Infy. (*Burton*, p. 311).

**Goldsmith, Michael, Lieut.**

Date of Local commission not known. Artillery. Died ( ? at Bombay), 8 Oct. 1828.

**Gordon, Edward, Major.**

Date of Local commission not known. Succeeded his brother Joseph Gordon, *q.v.*, in command of a battalion. In 1812 (?) his men mutinied in the old French lines at Hyderabad and tied him to the mouth of a gun, threatening to blow him away unless they received a free pardon and their pay. (*Briggs*, vol. II, chap. IV : *Burton*, p. 28). Died in 1833, aged 49 (information from the late Dr. J.M. Bulloch). Apparently identical with the Edward Gordon who set up an Agency House at Madras, and married there, on 30 May 1831, Matilda, daughter of Augustus Seguin, esq.

**Gordon, Joseph, Major.**

Date of Local commission not known. An officer in the Nizam's service from *c.* 1800 to 1808. Elder son of William



Crawford Gordon, Madras Medical Establishment, by his wife Lewis (*sic*) Ann Abeille. Born in India (presumably at Pondicherry), 1776; possibly educated in England; probably employed in a merchant's office. In 1799 was living at Vepery, described as "with Mr John de Frees". In 1800 was still there and described as a writer. Married, 29 Oct. 1807, by the Resident at Hyderabad, at that place, to Marguerite Josephine Augustine Boutet, aged 23, native of Pondicherry. His brother Major Edward Gordon, *q.v.*, was a witness to the marriage. Died intestate at Madras, 5 March 1808. His widow remarried, 11 Apr. 1817, Edward Gordon (? his brother). (*House of Gordon*, by J.M. Bulloch, vol. III, p. 244).

### **Gordon, Sir John Bury, Major.**

Fifth and last Baronet, of Park. Only son and heir of Sir John James Gordon, 4th Baronet, by Hannah his wife, daughter of T. Corner of Middlesex. Sir J.J. Gordon was killed in action at Bassein, 10 (or 11) Dec. 1780: his son is variously said to have been born (1) in India, on 5 Apr. 1779, or (2) posthumously, at Banff, on 5 Apr. 1781. Ensign without purchase, Coldstream Guards, 1 Apr. 1796; lieut. and capt. in do., 20 Sept. 1799; retired, 30 Nov. 1806. Cornet 22nd Light Dragoons, 24 Jan. 1812; lieut. in do., 5 Nov. 1812; captain 13th Light Dragoons, 13 June 1820; major in do., 18 July 1834.

Carried the King's Colour at the landing at the Helder, 27 Aug. 1799. Present at the battle of Krabend, 10 Sept. 1799, and again carried the King's Colour. At Schagenburg, 19 Sept., and Burgen, 2 Oct. 1799. Present at landing in Egypt, commanding a company of the Coldstream Guards, 8 March 1801; at battle same day and battle of Alexandria, 22 Aug. 1801 (wounded



in left shoulder by shell-burst). Medal for Egypt, 1801. In or before 1822 entered the Nizam's Army. In that year he was firstly (? Bde.) Quartermaster, and when that appointment was abolished in the same year, became Officer Comdg. the Ellichpur Horse. In Feb. 1822 Fort Mahur, which had been seized by a body of insurgents, surrendered to a force under his command. In 1826 raised the 4th Regt. of Cavalry, Nizam's Army, which from 1903 to 1922 was known as the 30th Lancers (Gordon's Horse).

Married (1), 9 Jan. 1798, Pyne, daughter of Hon. Maurice Crosbie, Dean of Limerick, by Pyne, daughter of Sir Henry Cavendish, 1st Baronet. In 1806 she was divorced for *crim. con.* with Hon. Henry Otway Brand (afterwards, 1851, Lord Dacre) who was mulcted in £3,000 damages. (They were subsequently married, 24 July 1806). He re-married (2), 2 Sept. 1815, Margaret Erskine, 4th daughter of Richard Campbell, of Craigie, co. Ayr. He died without issue at Madras, 23 July 1835, aged 56, when the baronetcy became dormant or extinct. His widow married, in 1836, Gerhardt Anthonie Van Barneveld, in whose lifetime she died in London, 13 Jan. 1867.

(References: Stotherd's *History of Gordon's Horse*; G.E.C.'s *Complete Baronetage*, IV. 346; *Burton*, pp. 88,99,105,294; Cotton's *Madras M.I.*, no 297).

### **Gray, Owen Wynne, Major.**

Date of Local commission not known. Captain H.M. 9th Foot, 8 Sept. 1814; half-pay, 9 July 1829. Sometime also of H.M. 20th and 62nd Foot. Died at Hingoli, 27 Aug. 1838, aged 49 (M.I.). His youngest daughter Emma Jane married at Madras,



20 Dec. 1841, James Fraser, Madras C.S. (*East India Register*, May 1842; see also Burke's *Landed Gentry s.v.* Fraser of Reelish).

**Hampton, George F —, Capt.**

Local commission as lieut., 9 Feb. 1817. Served at Nowah as lieut., Jan. 1819. Presumably promoted captain, 9 Feb 1829. Commandant of the Resident's Escort, which appointment he relinquished on promotion to captain (Meadows Taylor, *Story of my Life*, 1878 edn., p. 30). In 1837 was captain-commandant of the 4th Infy. In 1840-41 was captain-commandant of the 3rd Infy. In 1849 was brigadier commanding the force sent against Appa Sahib; dangerously wounded at Gaori on 6 May. Probably son of Captain James Hampton, Madras Army, who was son of Col. Samuel Hampton, Bengal Army.

**Hewett, Peter Selwood, Lieut.**

Formerly a Bengal cadet (see *Hodson*, vol. II, pp. 439-440). Adjutant 7th Infy., 1832-4. ? Promoted captain, 1834. Died at Coonoor, 9 July 1834, of a paralytic stroke.

**Hislop, William, Lieut.**

Cornet, H.M. 13th Light Dragoons, 26 Nov. 1818. (? Lieut. 16th Light Dragoons). Served with the Russell Cavalry. Appointed Bengal cadet, 1823, being then at Madras. Ensign Bengal Army, 15 Jan. 1824; posted to 39th Bengal N.I. Extra Asst. to Resident at Delhi, 1825-6. Lieut. Bengal Army, 13 May 1825. Re-entered Nizam's Army, 1826. Asst. to Resident at Delhi, 1827, and acting Political Agent in Haraoti, till his death at Kotah,



Rajputana, 29 Aug. 1829. Son of General Sir Thomas Hislop, G.C.B., 1st Baronet, commander-in-chief at Madras, 1813-20. (*Burton*, 82-3n.; *Hodson*, II. 456 .

**Holroyd, Charles, Lieut.**

Date of Local commission not known. Second son of Sir George Sowley Holroyd, Kt., Judge of the Court of King's Bench (*D.N.B.*) and Sarah his wife, daughter of Amos Chaplin. Born 31 Jan. 1792. Lieut. R.N. Paymaster to the Cavalry Division of the Nizam's Army. Died at Mominabad, 13 Sept. 1830. Brother of Brevet-Captain George Chaplin Holroyd (1790-1871), 57th Bengal N.I.. who served with the Resident's Escort from 1813 to 1825 and commanded it from 25 Nov. 1817 ; and married a sister of E. and A. Mottet, *q.v.*

**Huchinson, A——, Capt.**

Nizam's service. Died 5 March 1808 (*East India Register*, 1810.)

**Johns(t)on, Benjamin Baillie, Capt.**

Local commission as Lieut., 1 Nov. 1816. Elder natural son of Lieut. Robert O'Hara Johnson, 14th Bn. Madras Sepoys (d. 1791) An Irishman. ? Promoted Captain, 1 Nov. 1828. In 1837-39 serving with the Garrison Bn. at Aurangabad. In 1841-3 was Commanding the Hill Rangers, and Bhil Agent. Died at Aurangabad, 30 Nov. 1845, aged 47 (M. I. in Cantonment Cemetery . Married at Bombay, 11 May 1829, Johanna, daughter of Capt. J. Lloyd, *q.v.* (she died 5 June 1842 and is buried at Ellichpur). Brother of J. O'H. Johnston, *q.v.* Father of Dr. Benjamin Hamilton Lloyd Johnston, born 13 Aug. 1831, died 31 July 1894,



buried in the R. C. Cemetery at Narayanguda, Hyderabad, married and had issue. (*Probably* related to Major John Hamilton Johnston of the Nizam's service, who was a natural son of Lieut. Andrew Hamilton Johnston (d. 1775) of the Madras Army, and who died at Kharda (Kurdla), Ahmednagar District, on 29 May 1803, aged 40; M. I. at Kharda: see *Bombay Gazetteer*, Vol. XVII (1884), p. 721; *Burton*, p. 21). References; *The Khandesh Bhil Corps*, by A. H. A. Simcox, Bombay, 1912, p. 160; *C. P. M. I.*, p. 136. Note: if his father died in 1791 the son cannot have been 47 when he died.

**Johnston, James, Capt. (Brigadier).**

Local commission as Lieut., 1 March 1818. Born 16 March 1801. ? Promoted captain, 1 March 1830. In 1837-41 was Captain-Commandant of the 1st Infy. Brigadier at Hingoli, 25 Apr. 1849. Pensioned 1853, and became Deputy Commissioner South Berar. Died at Aurangabad, 4 Apr. 1875 (M. I. in Cantonment Cemetery, giving his rank as Major). His daughter married Capt. D. C. Ramsay, *q.v.* See also Capt. W. P. Blake.

**Johnston, James O'Hara, Capt.**

Date of Local commission not known. Died at Bombay on 8 Oct. 1826. Brother of B. B. John(s)ton, *q.v.* (*Possibly* identical with J. W. Johnston, below).

**Johnston, John William, (? Capt.)**

Apparently a Local officer. Died, when serving with the 5th Infy., at Aurangabad on 3 Dec. 1826, aged 32, after 11 years' service in the Nizam's Army. (M. I. in Cantonment Cemetery). (*Possibly* identical with J. O'H. Johnston, above)



**Keir, George, Capt.**

Date of Local commission not known. Lieut. H. M. 67th Foot (12 Aug. 1807), 17 July 1820. Subsequently Capt. H. M. 22nd Light Dragoons. In 1829 commanding 3rd Cavalry. Married at Hyderabad, 20 June 1829, Margaret, eldest daughter of Campbell Mackintosh, of Dalmagavie, Scotland. Died before 1840.

**Kelly, George William, Lieut.**

Local commission as Lieut., 1 Aug. 1820. In 1825 at Kaner, sand described as captain (*The Khandesh Bhil Corps*, by A. H. A. Simcox, Bombay, 1912, p. 52). In 1837 serving with Invalids at Aurangabad; in 1839 acting adjutant thereof.

**Kennedy, D—H—, Lieut.**

Local commission as Lieut., 20 March 1814. Ensign H. M. 86th Foot, 5 March 1812. Lieut. 1st Bn. H. M. 86th Foot, 30 March 1814. Shown in the Army List for Jan. 1819 but not in that for Feb. 1820. Served with the 1st Infy. at the siege of Nowah and at Malegaon, being wounded on both occasions (*Burton*, pp. 68, 78).

**Kennedy, Thomas, Capt.**

Date of Local commission not known. ? Lieut. H. M. 67th Foot, 3 July 1814 (Army List, 1824). Capt. H. M. 54th Foot, 27 March 1828. Commandant 8th Infy. Died at Ellichpur, 18 Nov. 1828, aged 34 (*C.P.M.I.*, p. 117).



**King, Henry, Capt.**

Local commission as Lieut., 28 Dec. 1826. Served with 2nd Infy. from 28 Dec. 1826. Transferred to 5th Infy. 1 Feb. 1829. In 1837 was adjutant. ? Promoted Capt. 28 Dec. 1838. Remained with 5th Infy. till 1849 or later. Probably pensioned in 1853. Died at Hingoli, 12 Apr. 1856, aged 49 (M.I.).

**Laing, Gabriel Garden, Lieut.**

Date of Local commission not known. Son of W. Laing, A.M., of Edinburgh. Lieut. with 2nd Infy. in 1826-7. Temporarily in 2nd Cavalry. Retr transferred to 2nd Infy., 1 Apr. 1828. Transferred to Cavalry Division, 1 May 1828. Married (at Bombay ?), 20 March 1828, Miss E. C. D. East. Died at Hingoli, 16 Nov. 1829, aged 23 (M.I.).

**Lamb, George, Assistant Surgeon.**

Surgeon of the *Asia*, 1808-9, till it was lost in the Bengal river, 1 June 1809; of the *Prince Regent*, 1816-17. Officiating Asst. Surgeon, Bengal Establishment, 2 June 1818, to do duty with the reformed corps received into the service from the troops of Mir Khan. Transferred to the Nizam's regular forces, 31 July 1819. (*Roll I. M. S.*, B. 819). "An adventurer from England" and a partner in the firm of Wm. Palmer & Co., c. 1820-25; and appointed by Metcalfe his personal and Residency Surgeon. (*Life of Metcalfe*, by Edward Thompson, 1937, pp. 193, 201).

**Larkin, —, Capt.**

Date of Local commission not known. Served at Malegaon (wounded). Accidentally shot dead at Fort Durgehuchna, before March 1819 (*Burton*, pp. 79, 82).



**Lawrence, Hyde P——(? Parker), Capt.**

Local commission as lieut., 1 Feb. 1817. Commanded the 1st Company of Artillery from its formation in Feb. 1825 till 14 Apr. 1827. In 1837 was serving with 4th Coy. Artillery, but was on furlough in Europe. In 1839 was commanding the Pioneer Coy. at Jalna Road, but on sick leave. In 1841 was commanding the Pioneer Coy. Still serving in 1845: ? out of the service before 1849. Died at Notting Hill, London, 17 Aug. 1852, aged 60. Note; he was *perhaps* father of Surgeon Hyde Parker Lawrence (or Lawrance), Bombay Establishment (born 7 Jan. 1819; L.R.C.S. Edin. 1840; appointed Asst. Surgeon, 7 Mar. 1846; surgeon, 27 Aug. 1863; retired 29 Apr. 1875). References; *Burton*, pp. 102-3; *Roll I.M.S.*, Bo. 786.

**Lerride, Paul, Capt.**

Local commission as lieut., 1 Oct. 1815. A Frenchman. First commandant of the 2nd Infy. Was a captain in 1818. Commanded the 1st Infy. at Mahidpur and Malegaon (wounded). Later commanded the Russell Brigade. Probably identical with Capt. "P.F. Leviede" of the Nizam's Service who died at Pondicherry on 30 Jan. 1841.

**Lloyd, James, Capt.**

Date of Local commission not known. Stationed at Aurangabad when he made his Will on 16 Jan. 1813. Died in 1814-5 (Will proved at Bombay, 14 June 1815). Married Joana; father of William, John, Joana and Robert. Father-in-law of B.B. Johnston, *q.v.* His executors were C.H. Elliot, *q.v.*, and W P. Blake, *q.v.*



**McCaskill, Hector, Capt.**

Local commission as lieut.. 24 Aug. 1827. A lieut. in H.M. Service. Served with 3rd Infy. Transferred to 2nd Infy. as adjutant, 1 July 1835. Promoted captain, 24 Aug. 1839. Transferred to 3rd Infy, 23 Sept. 1839. A captain in the 4th Infy. 1841-4, but "temporarily withdrawn to China" in those years, doubtless for service with his British regiment in the China War.

**McDowell, or McDowall, Robert, Lieut.**

Local commission as lieut., 7 Nov. 1825, Married at Madras, 9 June 1831, Anna Maria, youngest daughter of the late Lt.-Col. G.A. Muat. A son born at Kunhur, 9 Oct. 1833, when he was adjutant of the 2nd Infy. In 1837 with the Invalids at Aurangabad. In 1839 officiating adjutant and interpreter of the Garrison Bn. at Aurangabad; but on sick leave. ? Pensioned in 1853. Died at Buldana, 28 Sept. 1855, aged 51.

**Macdonald, J — E—, Lieut.**

Local commission as lieut., 5 Dec. 1829 (?) Posted to 1st Infy. Subsequently in 5th Infy. Transferred to 2nd Infy., 19 Apr. 1827 (?). Transferred to 3rd Infy.. 1 Dec. 1827. Resigned 1 Dec. 1831. Note: there is some confusion as to the date of this officer's first commission.

**McLachlan, Colin, Surgeon.**

Surgeon's Mate in the Indiaman *William Pitt*, 1807-8. Officiating Asst. Surgeon, Bengal Establishment, 11 Nov. 1817.



Served in Third Maratha War. Struck off Bengal Establishment, 30 Sept. 1820. Appointed to Nizam's Army 24 Oct. 1820. With 3rd Cavalry in 1840-1. Died at Hingoli on 14 Aug. 1845, aged 56 (M.I.). (*Roll of the I. M. S.*, No. B. 801.) Note: the *Bengal Directory and General Register*, 1840, gives his Christian name as Charles).

### **Macleod, Charles, Capt.**

Local commission as Lieut., 6 Oct. 1825. In 1837-9 Lieut. and Adjutant, 5th Cavalry. ? Promoted Captain, 6 Oct. 1837. In 1841 Captain-Commandant 1st Cavalry. In 1846 with 1st Cavalry (*Burton*, p. 131).

### **Moore, John Arthur, Major.**

Born (in Ireland?) 24 Sept. 1798. Second son of John Moore of New Lodge, Herts., and Barbara his wife, daughter of the Hon. William Brabazon (2nd son of 7th Earl of Meath). Entered the Royal Navy, 22 July 1806. Slightly wounded as a midshipman in the *Thunderer* (74 guns, Capt. John Talbot) at the passage of the Dardanelles, and at the destruction of the Turkish squadron off Point Pesquies (*Gazette*, 1807, p. 597). In Nov. 1813 became master's mate of the *Orontes* (36 guns, Capt. Nathaniel Day Cochrane), in which he served on the coast of Ireland and in the West Indies until promoted to the rank of Lieut., 18 Feb. 1815. (*O'Byrne's Naval Biographical Dictionary*). Probably went on half-pay on the cessation of hostilities.

Signed a Free Mariner's Covenant with the H. E. I. C., 14 March 1817. Came to India, and at the end of 1817 or beginning of 1818 was serving with the Russell Cavalry as a Captain—



Lieutenant. Local commission as Lieut., 4 June 1818. Apparently returned to England and the sea, as O'Byrne states "from 24 Nov. 1823 until the early part of 1829 Mr. Moore commanded the *Rinaldo* Falmouth packet. This was his last appointment". But O'Byrne cannot be entirely correct, as Moore married, at Secunderabad on 31 July 1827, Sophia Stewart Yates, 2nd daughter of Major-Gen. Richard Hassells Yates, Madras Army, by his wife Benjamina Petronella Lever. (Mrs. Moore was a sister of C. W. Yates, *q. v.*) Described in the marriage register as Lieut. R. N. and Military Secretary to the "Presidency". In 1837 was a Major, holding the appointments of Military Secretary and Auditor. In 1846 he was living at No. 33 Queen Anne St., Cavendish Square, London. Elected F. R. S., 26 Feb. 1846, being described in his candidature papers as "interested in science". Became a Director of the E. I. C., 1 May 1850, and retired by rotation, Apr. 1851. In 1851 was living in Portland Place, London. Described in Navy List, 1859, as Lieut. on reserved half-pay. He was a Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries and member of the British Archaeological Association. Died at 19 Portland Place, London, 7 July 1860. His children were :

1. John Arthur Henry (later assumed name of Moore-Brabazon); baptised at Secunderabad 31 July 1828; entered Bengal Army in 1846 and became lieut.-col. in 1868. Father of Lieut.-Col. J. T. C. Moore-Brabazon, the aviator.
2. William Richard, born 29 Jan. 1833; in Bengal Civil Service, 1852-7; killed in the Mutiny at Mirzapur.



3. Charles William, baptised at Chadarghat (Hyderabad), 20 Oct. 1836; in Bengal Civil Service, 1856-88.
4. Adolphus Warburton, C.B., in India Office, and later Private Secretary to Lord Randolph Churchill; died at Monte Carlo, 2 Feb. 1887.
5. Frances Stewart (? born Hyderabad Residency, 8 Sept. 1831), married, 23 Jan. 1866, (Sir) R.C.A. Throckmorton (later 10th baronet). She died 21 February 1895.

Note :—J.A. Moore is shown as C.I.E. in Burke's *Peerage* (1921) though he died in 1860 and that Order was not instituted till 1877.

References ;—Boase, *Dictionary of Modern Biography ; East India Register*, 1851 ; *Hart's Army List*, 1887 ; *Burton*, p. 82 note ; *Bengal and Agra Directory*, 1837 ; *Gribble*, ii. 78 ; information from Secy., Royal Society and Major Hodson.

### **Morrieson, Nasmyth, Capt.**

Local commission as Lieut., 19 June 1826 (? 1828). Son of Major David Morrieson, Bengal Army (died 1809) and his wife Rachel Ann Wightman. Posted to 1st Infy., 20 Oct. 1828. Capt. 19 June 1838. Transferred to 2nd Infy., 5 Apr. (? March) 1844. Died Dec. 1846. Author of a paper in *Journal* of the Asiatic Society, Bengal, vol. II, on "Trisection of an Angle".

### **Mottet (de la Fontaine), Adolphe, Capt.**

Local commission as lieut., 6 Sept. 1817. Son of Benoit Mottet de la Fontaine (1745-1820), chief justice of Pondicherry. Brother of E. Mottet, *q.v.*; of Marie Clotilde, second wife of Henry



Russell, Resident at Hyderabad; of Virginie, wife of Capt. G.C. Holroyd, commandant of the Resident's Escort; and of Victorine, wife of Capt. (later General Sir) John Doveton (1783-1857). Served with Russell Cavalry, *c.* 1817-22. Married, 26 Nov. 1829, Elizabeth, daughter of Lieut.-Col. Jean Baptiste de Warren (1769-1830), Chevalier de St. Louis et de la Legion d'Honneur, sometime of the Regt. de Dillon and later judge of the Royal Court at Pondicherry. ? Promoted capt., 6 Sept. 1829. On furlough in 1839. Paymaster Hyderabad Division, 1839-49. ? Pensioned in 1853. Had sons born at Bolarum on 20 June 1831 and 4 Aug. 1833, and a daughter Claire who married in 1869 Charles Adrian Prosper d'Epinay (1836-1914), *c. v. o.*, the sculptor. See Appendix II.

**Mottet (de la Fontaine), Edward, Capt.**

Date of Local commission not known. Brother of A. Mottet, *q.v.* Married, 4 Feb. 1828, Georgiana Honoria, daughter of late E.W. Fallowfield, Madras C.S. ? Out of the service before 1837. See Appendix II.

**O'Brien, William, Capt.**

Local commission as lieut., 27 Feb. 1828. Born about 1802. Natural son of Lieut.-Col. Lucius Robert O'Brien, *c.B.*, commandant 8th Bengal Light Cavy. (who married Julia, 7th daughter of William Humphreys, at Dublin, 6 Jan. 1825, and died without issue at Benares on 10 July 1825): see Burke's *Peerage s. v.* Inchiquin. Serving with 8th Infy., 1837-41: adjutant in 1839. ? Pensioned 1853. Married at Holy Trinity Church, Frome (describing himself as "major, retired, Hyderabad Contingent, H.E.I.C.S.,



of Bath"), 11 Oct. 1854, Mary Jane, aged 44, daughter of the late Thomas Charles, manufacturer, of Garston House, Frome. Living at Bath in 1856 and 1858 (*Bath Directories* for those years: not shown in earlier or later years). References: *Bath Chronicle*, 19 Oct. 1854; information from Mr. Henley J. Pudden, Librarian at Frome, and Major V.C.P. Hodson.

### **Palmer, John, Capt.**

Local commission as lieut., 27 Feb. 1828. Possibly son of W. Palmer, *q.v.* With 4th Infy. in 1837 and 1841. ? Promoted capt. 4 June 1840. Took 6 months' leave in 1843 and sick leave in 1844-5. Disappears from 4th Infy. list after 1845: ? out of the service.

### **Palmer, Hastings, Lieut.**

Date of Local commission not known. With 4th Infy. when he died at Aurangabad, 13 Jan. 1830, aged 21. M.I. in cantonment cemetery. Possibly son of Hastings Palmer (1785-1869), brother of W. Palmer, *q.v.*

### **Palmer, William, Capt.**

"King" Palmer: see *Dictionary of Indian Biography*. Officer in the Nizam's service, 1799—c. 1814. Subsequently head of the banking firm of Wm. Palmer & Co. Married, thirdly, 15 May 1848, Hester, widow of Cornelius Desormeaux, superintending surgeon of the Hyderabad Subsidiary Force (died at Secunderabad 15 Feb. 1847, aged 55). She was born 1 Sept. 1811, married firstly G.W. Sharpe "of the 3rd Palamcottah", and died 6 Sept. 1877. Palmer died at Hyderabad, 20 Nov. 1867, aged 86. Related to C. Arrow, G. Lamb, J. Palmer, H. Palmer, J.R. Paye, & P.M. Taylor. See Introduction.



**Parker, Charles, Capt.-Commandant.**

Local commission as lieut., 3 June 1825. Son of Col. Charles Parker (1783-1837), Bengal Artillery. Married at Calcutta, 20 June 1833, Sarah, daughter of late Lieut. Leonard Whitesmith, Bengal Army (died 1811) (*E.I. Register*, May 1834). In 1837 and 1841 with 6th Infy. ? Promoted capt. 3 June 1837. Sometime comdg. 2nd or Aurangabad Divn. Killed in action at Jaswantpura, 22 Sept. 1853, when Capt.-Comdt. 6th Infy., against body of rebel Arabs. (*Burton*, pp. 136-7; M.I. cantonment cemetery, Aurangabad).

**Patterson, Frederick Pigou, Capt.-Comdt.**

Local commission (? as lieut.), 9 May 1808. Son of Lieut.-Col. John Patterson, Madras Army, by his wife Mary (she died at Madras 24 Oct. 1838, aged 105). In 1837-39 was capt.-comdt. of the Garrison Bn. at Aurangabad. ? Out of the service in 1843. (*Madras M.I.*, p. 91).

**Paye (or Page), John Richard, Capt.**

Local commission as lieut., 25 March 1825. In 1837 lieut. and adjutant, 8th Infy. In 1839-41 with 8th Infy. and acting as paymaster at Bolarum. With 8th Infy. till 1845, but in 1843 was acting comdt. of 7th Infy. With 7th Infy. in 1849. ? Pensioned in 1853. Married at Secunderabad, 12 Apr. 1839, Eliza Caroline, youngest daughter of late Capt. Arrow, Bengal Army (*Asiatic Journal*, new series, XXIX. 309). Died at S. Kensington, 22 Apr. 1887, aged 78 (*The Times*, 26 Apr. 1887: name spelt as Page). See also C. Arrow.



### **Peyton, James, Capt.-Comdt.**

Local commission as lieut., 16 Feb. 1820. Born 1 Jan. 1800. Possibly son of Surgeon Wynne Peyton, Madras Establishment. Adjutant 7th Infy. 1830-32. Promoted capt. 16 Feb. 1832. Transferred to 2nd Infy. 1 Apr. 1834, but to continue to do duty with 7th. Ordered to join 2nd Infy. 9 June 1834. Transferred back to 7th, 6 Nov. 1834. With 7th in 1837. Capt.-Comdt. 5th Infy. 1839-49. ? Pensioned in 1853. Died at Ootacamund 6 Jan. 1884 (M.I. describing him as a major and for many years a resident there: *Madras M.I.*, no. 1614).

### **Ralph, James, Capt.**

Son of — Ralph and Jane his wife, of Upton near Eaton, Bucks. Born at Upton, 30 Aug. 1782. Bengal cadet 1798. Arrived in India 5 Sept. 1799. Cornet 14 June 1800. Lieut. 26 July 1803. 8th Bengal Native Cavy. Cashiered by G.C.M. 23 June 1808 ("For disorderly and mutinous conduct on parade in front of the regt.....and for endeavouring by words and gestures to excite the men of the corps to mutiny, and release a prisoner under sentence of a regimental court-martial": G.O.C.C. 27 June 1808). Restored 30 May 1810. Resigned and entered H.M. service. Ensign 59th Foot, 17 June 1813; lieut. in do., 26 May 1814; half pay, 1816; 30th Foot, 18 Dec. 1819; capt. 19th Foot 5 June 1827; halfpay (unattached) 5 Feb. 1829; sold out 16 July 1829. Appointed to Nizam's Army 30 Apr. 1833. Paymaster Aurangabad Divn. till 1852. Died at Aurangabad 11 Apr. 1857; his sister is also buried there. Married (before 1811). Appears to have edited the Calcutta *Mirror*.



**Ramsay, David Charles, Capt.-Comdt.**

Local commission as lieut., 23 Dec. 1824. Son of David Charles Ramsay, Bombay C.S., and Anna Maria. Nephew of Capt. Isaac Godsalve Robinson (? Bombay Marine). Baptised Bombay, 1 Jan. 1806. Rejected as cadet for Bombay Army, 31 Jan. 1822. In 1837 with 5th Infy. ? Promoted capt. 23 Dec. 1836. In 1839-41 was comdg. 5th Infy. and acting as bde.-major and paymaster. Capt.-Comdt. 4th Infy. 1844-53. Pensioned 1853. Married at Ellichpur, 24 Oct. 1840, Charlotte Clarissa Jemima, daughter of Capt. J. Johnston, *q.v.*, comdg. 1st Infy. (*E.I. Register*, May 1841).

**Raynsford, Edward James, Capt. (Brigadier).**

Local commission as lieut., 13 July 1821. H.M. 14th Foot. Third son of Nicolls Raynsford and Mary, daughter of——Souter, of Beaconsfield, Bucks. Nephew of Rev. C.J. Raynsford, chaplain to H.R.H. Duke of Kent. Born 22 Oct., baptised at Brixworth 4 Nov. 1788. Godson of the Duke of Kent. With Russell Cavalry 1821-22 (? and afterwards with Reformed Horse). Joined 1st Infy. from 8th Infy. 1 June 1830, as capt.-comdt. Capt.-comdt. 7th Infy. 1835-36. Brigadier at Hingoli in May 1840. Died 7 (or 8) May 1842; buried at Kingston, Southsea; M.I. in churchyard of St. Mary's, Southsea. Married, 1829, Eliza Ann (born 1798), daughter of George Maidman, Madras C.S. She died at Seabright, Northam, N. Devon, 31 March 1892. They had issue:—Edward Charles Raynsford, Lieut.-Col. Royal (late Bengal) Arty., 1837-79; George Maidman Raynsford (d. 1864), Lieut. Madras Light Cavy.; Frederick Montagu Raynsford, born 3 Nov. 1833, Lieut.-Col. Madras Army, retired 1875; Wm. Grant Raynsford,



(infant) 1838-40. Note: Louisa Sophia Raynsford, probably his sister, married in Sept. 1820 Lieut. Henry Lock (fought at Waterloo with 51st Foot) of the Bengal Army, who served with the Russell Cavy. till 1822 and then with Reformed Horse till his death at Mominabad on 16 May 1824. (See pedigree of Raynsford in *Misc. Gen. et Her.* 3S. 11 (1897), p. 162).

**Reid, H—S—, Lieut.**

Local commission as lieut., 11 Apr. 1828. Resigned 21 Jan. 1830 and went to civil employ.

**Rice, D—, Lieut.**

Date of local commission not known. In 1820 with 4th Berar Regular Infy. and asked to be allowed to resign Nizam's service. With 2nd Infy. in March 1824.

**Riddell, Robert Flower, Surgeon.**

Assistant Surgeon, Nizam's Army, 20 Oct. 1820. M.R.C.S. 1818. C.M. Glasgow 1825. Assistant Surgeon Bombay Establishment 14 July 1825. Resigned 14 Feb. 1827. Served in Nizam's Army for 4 years before appointment to H.E.I.C.S. and again after resignation. With Garrison Bn. Aurangabad, 1839. With 4th Infy. 1841-3. Died in London 6 Feb. 1866. (*Roll I.M.S.* Bo. 531). For his court-martial in 1840 see *History I.M.S.* vol. II, p. 237. Son of Col. Riddell.

**Robison, Sir John.**

See *Dictionary of National Biography*. Born in Edinburgh, 11 June 1778; eldest son of John Robison, professor of natural



philosophy at Edinburgh University from 1774 till 1805, by his wife Rachel Wright (1754-? 1852). Educated at Edinburgh high school and university. On leaving the latter went to Mr. Houston of Johnston, near Paisley, who was erecting cotton-mills with Arkwright's machinery. Thence went to Manchester. In 1802 obtained a mercantile post at Madras, and next entered the Nizam's service "as contractor for the establishment and maintenance of the artillery service, including the furnishing of guns and ammunition. He was also appointed commanding officer of the artillery corps. For the Nizam he laid out grounds on the English model. Having acquired a considerable fortune, he left India in 1815" and settled in Scotland. Elected fellow of the Royal Society of Edinburgh, 1816, and in 1828 became general secretary of the Society. A notable inventor and scientist. Received the Hanoverian Guelphic Order in 1837, and was knighted in 1838. Died 7 March 1843. Married (1), 1816, Jean Grahame (d. 1824) of Whitehill, near Glasgow; and (2)—Benson (d. 1837). By his first wife he left two daughters: the elder, Euphemia Erskine, born 1818, married in 1839 Archibald Gerard of Rochsoles, Airdrie, and died at Salzburg in 1870, leaving 3 sons, and 4 daughters two of whom became well-known as the novelists E. and D. Gerard.

### **Robison, Hugh, Capt.**

Local commission as lieut., 9 Oct. 1811. Born about 1782. Second son of John Robison (1739-1805: see *Dictionary of National Biography*); and brother of Sir John Robison, *q.v.* Studied at Edinburgh University, taking the maths. class under Prof. John Playfair in 1798-99 and the Physics or Natural Philosophy class under his father in 1799-1800; but did not take a degree. An



officer in H.M. 28th Light Dragoons, which regt. was raised about 1794/5 and last appears in the Army List for 1 Jan. 1802. Doubtless owed his appointment in the Nizam's Army to his elder brother. ? Promoted capt. 9 Oct. 1823. In 1839-41 was bde.-major and paymaster of the Ellichpur Divn., but on leave in Europe. Died 1849. Married, 26 Jan. 1826, Miss Elizabeth Thompson : she died at Ecclesgreig, Montrose, Scotland, 24 Oct. 1880, aged 85. They had one son and one daughter:—

1. Maj.-Gen. Hugh Robison, 108th Madras Fusiliers, died 1914, aged 82, without issue.
2. Elizabeth Anastasia, married at Ellichpur, 8 Feb. 1844, Col. Wm. Alexr. Orr, C.B., A.D.C., Madras Arty., of Bridgeton, St. Cyrus, Montrose. She died at Hingoli, 4 July 1857. He died 11 Sept. 1869, leaving issue.

(Information from Mr. James Christison, J.P., F.S.A. (Scot.); the Keeper of MSS., University Library, Edinburgh; Capt. J. Orr, late R.A.; and Capt. M. Forsyth-Grant. See also *E.I. Register*, 1827, and *Montrose Standard*, 29 Oct. 1880). Capt. H. Robison's sister Euphemia married Wm. Erskine, Lord Kinneder, friend of Sir Walter Scott (see *D.N.B.*). Note: Col. W. A. Orr, when a brevet-major, commanded the Northern Divn. of the Nizam's Army from 23 Jan. 1855 till 3 May 1856 (*Burton*, p. xlviii) and later commanded the Field Force of the Hyderabad Contingent in the suppression of the Indian Mutiny. His brothers Capt. S.G.G. Orr and Surgeon J.H. Orr, C.B., also rendered distinguished service with the Contingent.



**Roberts, Arthur, Capt.**

Local commission as lieut., 9 June 1828. Adjutant 7th Infy. 1834-9. Died at Hingoli, 20 Jan. 1839, aged 28 (M.I.)

**Roebuck, John. Captain-Commandant.**

Local commission as lieut., 9 May 1819. ? Promoted capt. 9 May 1831. Capt.-comdt. 1837-41, being on furlough in Europe in 1839-40. Commandant 8th Infy. 1843-9. ? Pensioned in 1853. (*Burton*, p. 88).

**Rose, Henry, Lieut.**

In the service of Nawab Salabat Khan. Died (intestate) 1819/20 (administration granted, Bombay, 25 Aug. 1820).

**Scott, John, Capt.**

Local commission as lieut., 12 March 1812. In 1839 with the Garrison Bn., in charge of the Pioneers. Died at Madras 4 March 1856, aged 70. His wife Anna Maria died at Madras 17 March 1856, aged 49 years 6 months 17 days. Both are buried in a vault in St. Mary's cemetery (*List of Tombs and Monuments...in Madras District*, Madras, 1898, p. 26; *Malden's Burials at Madras*, IV. 63). Their son William (Dept. of Public Works, born 4 Sept. 1830) and his wife Charlotte Louisa (daughter of A.F. Ottman, Sub-engineer, D.P.W.) both perished in the cyclone at Masulipatam, 1 Nov. 1864 (*Madras M.I.*, no 1289).

**Skinner, Hercules, Capt.**

Local commission (? as ensign), 28 Jan. 1834. Son of Col. James Skinner, c.B., founder of Skinner's Horse (see



*Dictionary of National Biography*). Of mixed blood, and the last Local officer to be appointed (see Introduction). In 1837-41 with 1st Cavy. as lieut. and adjutant, being on leave in the latter year. In 1847 with 4th Cavy. but on furlough in Europe. In 1848 with 4th Cavy. In 1849 with 2nd Cavy. at Ellichpur. In 1850 on leave. Later a Local officer in the Bengal Army and commandant of the 14th Bengal Irregular Cavy. (*Burton*, pp. 126-7).

**Stanley, John Richard, Captain-Commandant.**

Local commission as lieut. 9 Sept. 1825. ? Promoted capt. 9 Sept. 1837. In 1837-41 with 6th Infy. On furlough in 1841. With 6th Infy. till 1845. Capt.-Comdt. 3rd Infy. 1851-3. On furlough in 1849. ? Pensioned 1853. His wife Emily Louisa died at Hyderabad 10 Dec. 1841 (*E.I. Register*, May 1842).

**Stoddard, Henry, Captain-Commandant.**

Local commission as lieut., 1 July 1819. With 1st Infy. in 1823. Capt. 1 July 1831. Capt. comdt. 7th Infy. c. 1836. Transferred to 2nd Infy. as capt.-comdt. 31 May 1836. Held this command till 1849 and probably till he was pensioned in 1853. Married (before 1848) Mary Anne—(she died at Hingoli: undated M.I. stating that she left 5 children). Their daughter Claire le Baron was born 9 Nov. 1847 and died at Hingoli 5 Aug. 1849 (M.I.). Their son Wallace Arthur Stoddard married Louisa Wood and became a tea-planter at Sibsagar, Assam, having a son Wallace Arthur Stoddard who died at Calcutta 10 March 1937 (obituary in *Statesman*, Delhi, giving the deceased's grandfather's rank as Colonel).



### **Stokes, John Jephcott, Superintending Surgeon.**

Local commission (? as Assistant Surgeon) 5 Oct. 1825. In 1839-41 with 2nd Infy. but on furlough. With 4th Infy. from 1845 till he died at Ellichpur, 30 Dec. 1849, aged 47, "after a service of 26 years" (M.I.). His widow Anne died at Aurangabad (undated M.I. in cantonment cemetery). (*C.P.M.I.* p. 118).

### **Swinton, Charles Vivian, Major (Hony. Lt.-Col.)**

Local commission as lieut., 22 Feb. 1828. Born 1807. Apparently son of Col. John Swinton (died 1825), Bengal Army, by his 1st wife Paulina Stuart, whom he married at Muttra on 17 May 1807 : she died 27 Dec. 1811. Received a Bengal cadetship, June 1829, but served throughout in Nizam's Army. Transferred from 6th Infy. to 2nd Infy., 8 March 1847. To do duty with 4th Infy., 8 June 1850. Transferred to 5th Infy. 17 July 1850. Commandant 2nd Infy. 23 Dec. 1853. Major, 28 Nov. 1854. Suspended from command, 2 June 1857. Permitted to resign, 17 Sept. 1857. Hony. Lt.-Col. 1 March 1858. Died 20 May 1874. He married (1) at Aurangabad, 15 March 1845, Elizabeth Ann Peel, daughter of Major Allan Roberts (1788-1832), 12th Madras N.I. and his wife Elizabeth who died at Aurangabad, 23 Jan. 1846); (2) Fanny Rose, daughter of John Stroud. By his second wife he had a son Archibald John who was buried in the cantonment cemetery, Aurangabad (undated M.I.). His first wife died at Hingoli 28 Aug. 1845, aged 16 (?) years and 6 months (M.I.)

### **Swinton, Richard, Capt.**

Date of Local commission not known. Described as of H.M. 20th Foot, but was more probably of 17th Foot. Fourth son of



Capt. Samuel Swinton, R.N., proprietor of *Le Courrier de l'Europe*, by his wife Felicité Jeanne Le Febre, "daughter of an officer of the French guards who fell at Versailles". Paymaster of the Aurangabad Divn. when he died there of cholera, 6 Aug. 1828, aged 50 (M.I. in cantonment cemetery). His wife Amelia, who was probably a natural daughter of Sir Charles Cockerell, 1st Bart., Bengal C.S., died at Poona, 27 Nov. 1827 (M.I.). They had a son John Richard Swinton (born 12 March 1821; baptized at Poona 9 March 1822; Bombay cadet 1841/2) and three daughters who married respectively Capt. John Fawcett; Major Woodhouse; and Major W. Jacob, Bombay Artillery (father of Col. Sir Samuel Swinton Jacob, K.C.I.E., C.V.O., 1841-1917). (Burke's *Landed Gentry*, 1906, p. 1623).

### **Taylor, Philip Meadows, Capt.**

See *Dictionary of National Biography*. Local commission as lieut., 2 Dec. 1824. Born at Liverpool 25 Sept. 1808, eldest son of Philip Meadows Taylor, capt. Liverpool Rifle Volunteers, by Jane Honoria Alicia his wife, youngest daughter of Bertram Mitford of Mitford Castle, Northumberland. Went to India in April 1824 as assistant to a mercantile firm in Bombay; arrived 1 Sept. 1824. Procured a commission in the Nizam's Army through Mr. Newnham (his mother's cousin) who was chief secretary to Govt. at Bombay, and Sir C. Metcalfe. Posted to 6th Infy. Aurangabad. Succeeded G.F. Hampton, *q.r.*, as comdt. of the Resident's Escort. Later Supt. of Bazars at Bolarum; then Asst. Supt. of Police at Sadashiupeth, before 1827. In Oct. 1829 all Local officers in civil employ were sent back to military duty; and he rejoined 6th Infy.



at Bolarum, becoming adjutant in 1830. Married at Secunderabad, 25 Aug. 1831, Mary (born 1 June 1808) daughter of W. Palmer, *q.v.*, by his first or second (Indian) wife. To Hingoli with unit in Dec. 1832. Two children born before 1835 died in infancy, but a son (born at Hyderabad, 16 June 1833) survived for some years. Promoted capt. 2 Dec. 1836. Three years' sick leave to Europe from Nov. 1837; returned to India Jan. 1840 and appointed officiating comdt. 8th Infy. at Hingoli. Shortly afterwards appointed acting staff officer and paymaster, Ellichpur Divn., Apr.-Oct. 1840. Did duty for some months with 4th Infy. Appointed Political Agent Shorapur, Nov. 1841. His wife died at Lingsugur, 20 Sept. 1844. Pensioned in 1853 and appointed Deputy Commissioner Daraseo District, one of the Western Ceded Districts, with H. Q. at Naldrug. In Aug. 1857 appointed Deputy Commissioner North Berar, *vice* T.H. Bullock, *q.v.* Returned to Daraseo District, 1858. Appointed Commissioner (? Deputy Commissioner) Shorapur, March 1858. 'Two years' sick leave to Europe, Feb. 1860: resigned without returning to India. C.S.I. 2 June 1869. Died at Mentone, 13 May 1876. Survived by a daughter. Styles himself Colonel in his autobiography (*The Story of My Life* which passed through many editions) but never appears to have held any rank higher than Captain. Author of *Confessions of a Thug* and many other works: sometime Indian correspondent of *The Times*.

**Topander, A—L—, Capt.**

Date of Local commission not known. Nizam's Berar Invalid Battalion. Died intestate, 1821/22 (administration granted,



Bombay, 20 Nov. 1822). The Topanders were a Dutch family in the service of the Vereenigde Oostendische Compagnie (Dutch E.I. Company): see *Madras M.I.* nos. 1041, 1079, 1193 & 1797.

**Tucker,——, Lieut.**

Date of Local commission not known. Lieut. in the Garrison Bn. Transferred to 2nd Infy. 1 Aug. 1829. Struck off strength of Nizam's Army, 15 Nov. 1829.

**Turnbull, George A——, Surgeon.**

Local commission (? as Asst. Surgeon) 22 Dec. 1820. In 1839-41 with 1st Cavy. *Possibly* identical with Surgeon Gavin Turnbull, Bengal Establishment (*Roll I.M.S.*, B. 920).

**Wheeler, Richard, Capt.**

“H.H. Nizam's Service”. Date of Local commission not known. His wife Adelaide died at Madras, 10 Feb. 1834, aged 50; and their son Robert died there 21 Sept. 1832, aged 19 years 7 months 25 days: both buried in a vault in St. Mary's cemetery (*List of Tombs and Monuments.....in Madras District*, 1898, p. 22).

**Williamson, George, Capt.**

Date of Local commission not known. Paymaster Aurangabad Divn. Died at Bombay, 22 Oct. 1832, aged 32.

**Williamson, James, Lieut.**

Date of Local commission not known. 3rd Infy. Died at Hingoli, 21 June 1830, six hours after a fall from his horse while



fox-hunting. (M.I. gives age as 18 and date of death as 8 Sept. 1829).

**Wilson, John Radcliffe, Capt.**

Local commission as Lieut., 22 July 1828. 6th Infy. Transferred to 1st Infy. 16 Dec. 1829; to 2nd Infy. 1 Aug. 1832; to 7th Infy. 20 Dec. 1834. Later with 6th Infy. Transferred to 2nd Infy. as adjutant, 23 Sept. 1839. Capt. 22 July 1840. On furlough in 1841. With 2nd Infy. in 1842. Eldest son of Major John Wilson, comdg 13th Madras N.I. Married at Secunderabad, 20 Sept. 1832, Maria Elizabeth, only daughter of W. Russell esq. of Melcombe Regis, Dorset, who was probably related to Henry Russell, the Resident. Died at Burgee, 1 Apr. 1853; buried at Jubbulpore (*C.P.M.I.*, no 295). His wife died at Jalna, 20 March 1856, aged 42 (M.I.). Their son was born at Bolarum,—Aug. 1833 (*Madras Almanac*, 1834).

**Wrixon, Henry Bentley, Capt.**

Local commission as lieut., 6 March 1828, and posted to 2nd Infy. To 1st Infy. 1 Aug. 1832. Adjutant and interpreter 1st Infy. 1839. Capt. 23 March 1840. To 6th Infy. 24 July 1848. Pensioned 1853. Probably son of Capt. Arthur Nicholas Wrixon, 5th Dragoon Guards, by his wife Maria, daughter of Major Robert Bentley, Bombay Engineers (died 20 March 1822, buried Sonapur cemetery, Bombay). Married, and had a son Arthur who was a barrister in India. (Information from Capt. P.A. Bentley Wrixon, grandson of Arthur last-named).



### **Yates, Charles William, Capt.-Comdt.**

Local commission as lieut., 2 July (or 1 Aug.) 1825. Born 1807, son of Major-Gen. Richard Hassells Yates, Madras Army, by his wife Benjamina Petronella Lever (she was daughter of a French officer named Lever by his wife who was a daughter of Graaf van der Harte (Hart or Harte), Dutch Govr. of Ceylon; and widow of Capt. Octavius Reynolds,\* 3rd Ceylon Regt.). Capt. 2 July 1837. In 1837-41 comdg. 3rd Cavy., being on furlough to Europe in the former year. Severely wounded at battle of Gaori, 6 May 1849, when in command of 3rd Cavy. ? Pensioned 1853. Died 1867. Married (1) Catherine, 2nd daughter of S. Wright, of Shelton, Staffs., on 14 March 1838. She died at Ahmadnagar, 30 Jan. 1842, aged 26 (*East India Register*, May 1842); (2) Margaret Sophy Abbott: she died at Bath 13 June 1873. His sister married J.A. Moore, *q.v.* References: *Asiatic Journal*, N.S., XXV. 300; *Ceylon M.I.*, p. 384; *Burton*, p. 132.

### **Young. John Smith or Smyth, Capt.-Comdt.**

Local commission as lieut., 1 May 1820. Capt 1 May 1832. With 5th Cavy. 1837-49: capt.-comdt. from about 1840. Died at Inverness, 3 Jan. 1861. Married (probably in London, between 1820 and 1834) Frances, 2nd daughter of Solomon Treasure: she died at Hingoli 6 March 1853, aged 46. He had issue:—

1. John James, born 1835; died at Jalna 10 Oct. 1827, aged 2 years 4 months (M.I.).

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\*Also described as John Reynolds, paymaster to H.M. Regt. de Meuron, who died at Seringapatam 22 Sept. 1802, aged 34 years 11 days (M.I. garrison cemetery).



2. Donald, born 4 March 1839; lieut. Madras Army; died unmarried 3 Apr. 1857.
3. Elizabeth Treasure, born 6 Nov. 1833: married, 1862, Lieut.-Gen. W.H.G. Palmer, Madras Army.
4. Edward James, born 27 May 1842: married 31 Aug. 1875; lived in Ceylon.
5. Charles Cornelius Cardew, born 4 July 1845; married Jean Hay, 28 June 1887; lived at Lakeawe, Ceylon.

Note: he may have been related to (1) Surgeon-General Donald Smith Young, Madras Establishment, who served with the Nizam's Army 1817-41; (2) Hon. Col. Sir John Smith Young, Kt., C.V.O. (1843-192-), son of Edward Smith Young of Melrose, Jamaica. Reference: pedigree of Treasure in *Notes and Queries* 12S. ii. 417.

### **Young, Mathew, Capt.-Comdt.**

Date of Local commission not known. Capt. half-pay H.M. 53rd Foot, 1 Aug. 1815. Capt. H.M. 30th Foot, Dec. 1825. 2nd son of Mathew Young of Harristown, co. Roscommon. Capt.-Comdt. 8th Infy. Married Miss Bushe. Died at Ellichpur, 4 Aug. 1827, aged 40: his wife Eliza died there 17 Apr. 1821. References: *C.P.M.I.*, pp. 117, 136: *Landed Gentry of Ireland*, p. 785.



## APPENDIX I.

### OFFICERS IN THE NAGPUR SERVICE.

#### Fraser, David Winter, (? Lieut.)

Eldest son of G.R. Fraser, *q.v.* Born 6 Sept. 1803. Joined his father in the Nagpur service in 1823 and for some years assisted him as adjutant and bn. comdr. and in cavy. work. Married, 26 Jan. 1825, Margaret, daughter of Geo. Wm. Gillio, Bombay C.S. (see also F.B. Norris, below). Later joined uncovenanted C.S. in Bengal. In 1845 was Asst. Collector, Calcutta. His first wife died 18 May 1845, aged 42. He remarried Mme. de Fenanceau, and died 23 Oct. 1860. Had issue:—

1. (by first wife) General Geo. Wm. Fraser (1828-1898), Bengal Army.
2. Annie, married 20 July 1858, Charles Vesey, second son of Sir N.C. Vesey, 4th Bart. She died 19 March 1911.
3. Elizabeth Minnie, married General Geo. Cliffe Hatch, C.S.I., Judge Advocate Gen. in India, by whom she had amongst other issue Emma Mary Augusta, Countess of Clarendon.

References: *Recollections with Reflections*, by Major-Gen. Sir Thos. Fraser, Blackwood, 1914; *Bengal Obituary*, p. 289.

#### Gordon, William, Lieut.

Son of James Gordon, of Tillynaught, near Portsoy, Banffshire, by his wife Isabella Forbes. Born 1784. Served in Madras Army: cadet, 1805. Entered the Nagpur service, 1819: remained therein till 1828. His brother Surgeon James Gordon, Bengal Establishment, married Mary Louisa, daughter of G.R. Fraser, *q.v.*, and sister of D.W. Fraser above. Died at Brixton, 8 April 1841.

#### Harvey, Charles, Capt.

Died at Prince of Wales's Island, of dropsy, 22 Sept. 1827.

#### Hobson, L——, Lieut.

Married, 26 Aug. 1824, Mrs. S. Thompson.



**Mosse, Pierce Tydd, Capt.**

Third son of Lewis Tenison Mosse, capt. of Maryborough Yeomanry in the Irish rebellions of 1798 and 1802, by Mary, daughter of John Quin, of co. Down. Probably a cousin of G.R. Fraser, *q.v.* Died at Seoni, 28 Nov. 1829.

**Norris, Francis Brooke, (? Lieut.).**

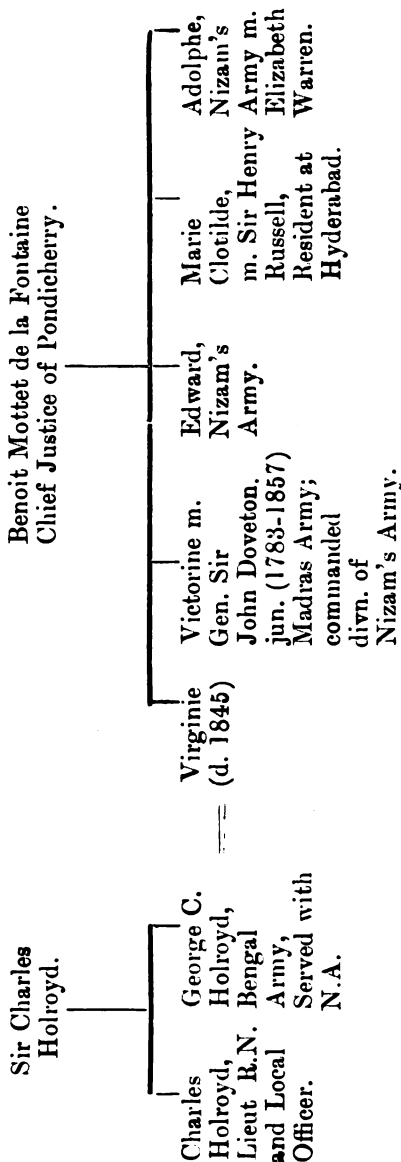
In Nagpur service about 1829, in which year he married, at Ghundawass (5 May), Isabella, daughter of the late G.W. Gillio, Bombay C.S. He was thus a brother-in-law of D.W. Fraser above. Later Civil Engineer in Ceylon, 1833-50, with which office was combined till 1846 that of Surveyor-General. Between 1850 and 1855 he was dismissed and returned to India, where he became a railway contractor and is believed to have died. His first wife died at Colombo, 21 June 1839, aged 29; buried in Galle Face cemetery. He re-married between 13 and 29 Aug. 1841 (*Ceylon M.I.*, p. 51). He was possibly related to Sir William Norris, Chief Justice of Ceylon, 1836.

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## APPENDIX II.

## Lady Russell's Relatives in the Nizam's Army.



**NOTES:—**

- (1) The following were probably nephews of Lady Russell :—
- (i) Hon. Col. Henry Edward Mottet de la Fontaine, Madras S.C., d. 30 Apr. 1923.
  - (ii) Col. Edward Adolphus Mottet, Madras S.C.
  - (iii) Lieut. Gustave Henry Mottet, 19th Madras N.I., d. Secunderabad 23 Mar. 1861.
  - (iv) Major Arthur Charles Mottet, Madras S.C.
- (2) The following other Dovetons served with the Nizam's Army :—
- (i) Capt. John Doveton, Local Officer, *q.v.*
  - (ii) Lt.-Col. Charles Jackson Doveton, 38th Bengal N.I.; commanded 1st Berar Infy. Nizam's Army from 1819 to 26 Jan 1822.
  - (iii) Lt.-Gen. Sir John Doveton, sen., G.C.B. (1768-1847); commanded the Nizam's Army detachments on the N. frontier 1814-5 (*Burton*, p. 32).














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